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Sir:

This Reply is in response to the Office Action mailed May 21, 2002. A Petition requesting a 2 month extension of time accompanies this response which is being filed on or before its now current due date of October 21, 2002. In response to this Office Action, consideration of the following remarks is earnestly solicited:

REMARKS

It is respectfully requested that this application be reconsidered in view of the following remarks and that all of the claims remaining in this application be allowed.

Interview

The undersigned wishes to thank Examiner Meller for the courtesies extended during the personal interview conducted on July 17, 2002 for this application with